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The Corporation of the Municipality of  
**Central Elgin**

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## **Notice of Intention to Designate a Property under the Ontario Heritage Act**

### **47017 Roberts Line**

**TAKE NOTICE** that the Council of The Corporation of the Municipality of Central Elgin intends to designate the following property as a property of cultural heritage value or interest pursuant to section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. O.18:

House located on property known municipally as **47017 Roberts Line** and legally described as **Part of Lot 24, Concession 2, more particularly described as Part 1, Reference Plan 11R-2030, Geographic Township of Yarmouth, Municipality of Central Elgin.**

The façade of the house is intended to be designated. The house was built in the late nineteenth century. The house was originally constructed as a single dwelling farm house and continues to be used as a private home.

The full statement of cultural heritage value or interest is attached. A copy of the statement is available in the Municipal Office at the Elgin County Administration Building, 450 Sunset Drive, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, daily, Monday to Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. or on the municipal website, [www.centralelgin.org](http://www.centralelgin.org), by clicking the "Notices-Other" Quick Link on the homepage.

Any person may, not later than the **Monday, September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2008**, serve on the Clerk of the Municipality of Central Elgin a **notice of objection** setting out the reasons for the objection and all relevant facts. When a notice of objection has been served, the Council shall refer the matter to the Conservation Review Board for a hearing and report.

DATED at the Municipality of Central Elgin this 1<sup>st</sup> day of August, 2008.

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## *The Louws's House*

### *Architectural Qualities*

The Louws's House was built in the late nineteenth century, allegedly by a member of the Fishleigh family. The house was originally constructed as a single dwelling farm house and continues to be used as a private home. The property is currently home of [REDACTED] and features elaborate gardens.

The structure sits on a fieldstone foundation and has a full basement. It is a two storey building and has an extension on the east side. The facade is 44 feet and 3 inches long and the building has a depth of 30 feet and 3 inches. It is made of brick and supported by a wooden frame. The brick at the corner of the exterior walls includes quoins, and the base of the walls project in the form of a plinth. The main section is roofed by a medium gable. The building has projecting eaves, moulded soffits, moulded fascia, and wooded verges. The structure has one chimney. It is made of brick. The chimney is not original although it is in the original location to the west. The roof also features a finial and drops or pendants. The main entrance is off-centred and in the facade of structure. The trim above the doorway features voussoirs. The remainder of the doorway consists of plain trim. The present door is not original to the structure as the original door was replaced in the 1960s. The present door was taken from a demolished building of the same period. The door has two leaves which feature shaped panels. The windows on the building are two sash and are single or double hung with a 6/6 pane arrangement. The trim above the structural opening of the window also feature voussoirs. The facade also features a (roofed) bay window with brackets. The front porch is on the first storey, and it is open. The porch has been replaced or repaired. The Louws have also replaced the bargeboard trim on the eaves with a replica of the period.

### *Registry Office Material and Historical Significance:*

The Crown deeded a 100 acre plot of land in the north half of Lot 24, Concession 2 to Nathaniel Douglas in 1829. The north-eastern 50 acres of the lot was last separated from the original 100 acre grant in 1845. It served as a modest sized farm until the lot was separated. The current owners of the lot are [REDACTED].

### *Legal Description:*

North Half of Lot 24, Concession 2  
Municipality of Central Elgin (Old Yarmouth Township)  
Part 1 on 11R-2030

Note: It is proposed to designate the façade.